

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A cleansing composition, comprising:

(1) at least one foaming surfactant, (2) at least 1 % by weight of at least one hydrophilic silica, relative to the total weight of the composition, and (3) at least one oxyalkylenated compound which is selected from the group consisting of oxyethylenated compounds and oxyethylenated/oxypropylenated compounds in a physiologically acceptable aqueous medium comprising at least 35 % by weight of water, relative to the total weight of the composition, wherein said oxyalkylenated compound is a thickening agent present in a composition thickening effective amount.

Claim 2 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, which has a complex modulus  $G^*$  ranging from 102 to 105 Pa and a loss angle ranging from 2° C to 45° C for frequencies ranging from 0.01 to 10 Hz.

Claim 3 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, which comprises from 35 % to 95 % by weight of water relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 4 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the amount of hydrophilic silica(s) ranges from 1% to 15% on an active material weight basis relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 5 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the hydrophilic silica is selected from the group consisting of silicas of pyrogenic origin, of precipitated origin, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 6 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the hydrophilic

silica is selected from the group consisting of silicas having a specific surface ranging from 30 to 500 m<sup>2</sup>/g, a number-average particle size ranging from 3 to 50 nm and a compacted density ranging from 40 to 200 g/l.

Claim 7 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the hydrophilic silica is a pyrogenic silica.

Claim 8 (Original): The composition according to Claim 7, wherein the hydrophilic silica consists of a particle coated with hydrophilic silica.

Claim 9 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the amount of oxyalkylenated compound(s) ranges from 1 % to 20 % on an active material weight basis relative to the total weight of the composition.

C | Claim 10 (Previously Amended): A composition according to Claim 1, wherein the oxyalkylenated compound is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene glycols, polyethylene glycol esters, polyethylene glycol ethers, alkoxyated alkyl derivatives of polyols, oxyalkylenated triesters of glycerol and of fatty acids, ethoxyethylenated urethane derivatives modified with alkyl chains, and mixtures thereof.

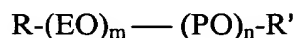
Claim 11 (Previously Amended): A composition according to Claim 9, wherein the oxyalkylenated compound(s) have the formula:



wherein  $0 < m \leq 300$  and  $0 \leq n \leq 300$  and  $m + n \geq 6$ , R and R' represent, independently of each other, hydrogen or a saturated or unsaturated, linear or branched, hydroxylated or non-hydroxylated alkyl chain containing from 1 to 30 carbon atoms, or an aryl chain, with the

proviso that R and R' are not simultaneously hydrogen.

Claim 12 (Previously Amended): A composition according to Claim 9, wherein the oxyalkylenated compound(s) have the formula:



wherein  $0 < m \leq 300$  and  $0 \leq n \leq 300$  and  $m + n \geq 6$ , R and R' represent, independently of each other, hydrogen or a saturated or unsaturated, linear or branched, hydroxylated or non-hydroxylated alkyl chain containing from 1 to 30 carbon atoms, or an aryl chain, with the proviso that R and R' are not simultaneously hydrogen.

Claim 13 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the foaming surfactant is selected from the group consisting of nonionic surfactants, anionic surfactants, amphoteric surfactants and zwitterionic surfactants, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 14 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the amount of foaming surfactant(s) ranges from 2 % to 50 % on an active material weight basis relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 15 (Original): The composition according to Claim 11, wherein the foaming surfactant is selected from the group consisting of alkyl polyglucosides, maltose esters, polyglycerolated fatty alcohols, glucamine derivatives, carboxylates, amino acid derivatives, alkyl sulfates, alkyl ether sulfates, sulfonates, isethionates, taurates, sulfosuccinates, alkyl sulfoacetates, phosphates and alkyl phosphates, polypeptides, anionic alkyl polyglucoside derivatives, fatty acid soaps, betaines, N-alkylamidobetaines and derivatives thereof, glycine derivatives, sultaines, alkyl polyaminocarboxylates and alkylamphoacetates, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 16 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, which further comprises at least one solvent selected from the group consisting of alcohols comprising from 1 to 6 carbon atoms, polyols and mixtures thereof.

Claim 17 (Original): A method of treating the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair, comprising:

applying the composition of Claim 1 to the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair thereby cleansing and/or removing make-up from the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair.

Claim 18 (Original): A method of treating greasy skin, comprising:

applying the composition of Claim 1 to the skin, thereby removing grease from the skin.

Claim 19 (Original): A method of disinfecting the skin and/or the scalp, comprising:

applying the composition of Claim 1 to the skin and/or the scalp, thereby disinfecting the skin and/or the scalp.

Claim 20 (Original): A method of cleansing the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair, comprising:

applying the composition of Claim 1 to the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair in the presence of water thereby forming a lather; and

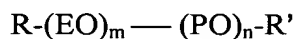
removing the lather containing soiling residues by rinsing the lather from the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair with water.

Claim 21 (Original): A cosmetic mask, comprising:

an applied composition of Claim 1 as a mask on the skin of the face.

Claim 22 (Previously Added): A cleansing composition, comprising:

(1) at least one foaming surfactant, (2) at least 1 % by weight of at least one hydrophilic silica, relative to the total weight of the composition, and (3) at least one oxyalkylenated compound which is selected from the group consisting of oxyethylenated compounds and oxyethylenated/oxypropylenated compounds in a physiologically acceptable aqueous medium comprising at least 35 % by weight of water, relative to the total weight of the composition, wherein the oxyalkylenated compound is a thickening agent present in a composition thickening effective amount selected from the group consisting of polyethylene glycols, polyethylene glycol esters, alkoxyated alkyl derivatives of polyols, oxyalkylenated trimesters of glycerol and of fatty acids, ethoxyethylenated urethane derivatives modified with alkyl chains, polyethylene glycol ethers or polyethylene glycol/polypropylene glycol ethers which are compounds of formula:



in which  $0 \leq m \leq 300$  and  $0 \leq n \leq 300$  and  $m + n \geq 6$ , R and R' represent, independently of each other, hydrogen or a saturated or unsaturated, linear or branched, hydroxylated or non-hydroxylated aryl chain, on condition that R and R' are not simultaneously hydrogen, and mixtures thereof.